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1. The inclosed GIC report concerning information regarding an attempt to SUBJECT to recruit for Soviet intelligence Dr. Stanislaw STANKINVIC, a White Ruthenian, born 15 February 1907, in URZEWIANY, POLAND.

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2. A check of the files of GIC Central Registry disclosed information relative to an attempt by the Soviet NKVD (MGB), BERLIN, in September 1947, to recruit one Nina JAKUBOWITZ for espionage work. Copies of the report pertaining to this recruitment are inclosed, inasmuch as it seems probable that the Nina SIEM mentioned therein is identical with SUBJECT. Although the report does not indicate that SIEM was employed by Soviet intelligence, as early as 1947, the possibility exists that she may have been involved in the attempted recruitment of her friend, JAKUBOWITZ.

3. The files of GIC Central Registry also revealed that Dr. Stanislaw STANKINVIC was the former leader of the White Ruthenian PP Camp at OSTERSHOFFEN and a member of the Praesidium of the White Ruthenian National Committee, an illegal organization which operated in Western zones of Germany. From 1941 to 1945, STANKINVIC occupied many positions of trust in the Nazi administration, one of which was editor of the newspaper RANICA, a pro-Nazi, anti-allied, White Ruthenian language publication. (3-2)

4. Your attention is invited to paragraphs 4, 6 and 7, of inclosure number 1, which contain detailed information relative to the attempted recruitment of STANKINVIC, by SUBJECT. Paragraph 7c contains information relative to essential elements of information given STANKINVIC by SUBJECT.

5. The XIs are similar to those given Wjaschewsky, JAKUBOWITZ, Nikolai, WESTERDAIN and Bert, MUNICH residents, all of whom the Soviets have attempted to recruit in PUGATOVKA.

6. This detachment will pursue the counter intelligence aspects of the case and inform nation of a positive intelligence interest will be disseminated to your detachment. If your detachment desires to exploit the positive intelligence aspects of the case, it is requested that you inform this detachment of such interest at the earliest possible date.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ DAVID E. HUNTOON
Lt Col, Inf.
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2 Incls:

- 1 - AR, GIC Reg IV, file IV-21933, subj as above, dtd 2 May 51 (copy)
- 2 - FR, GIC Reg III, file III-M-1994, subj: Nina JAKUBOWITZ, dtd 9 Dec 47 (copy)

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Would appreciate any additional information recipients of this report may have on personalities mentioned in inclosures.

TO: FIM, MOB, BOB, POB 24 May 1951

For your information.

We have advised CIC that we believe they are handling this case excellently and that we would be interesting in receiving any further pertinent data that they may develop.

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KARL NOTE: Attached are summaries (very complete) of the two reports mentioned.

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SUMMARY OF CIC REPORTS ON SIEMS (or SIEM), Nina nee LITWINTSCHIK

Taken from report, dated 2 May 1951, CIC file: IV-21933, re: Attempt Recruitment by Soviet Intelligence.

1. Dr. Stanislaw STANKIEWIC, alleged that subject contacted him, asking him to engage in espionage activities on behalf of Soviet Intelligence.

Personal Data on subject:

Name:	Nina SIEMS (or SIEM), nee LITWINTSCHIK
Birthdate and Birth place:	Unknown
Approx. Age:	27 years
Nationality:	White Ruthenian
Occupation:	Unknown
Marital Status:	Married
Present Address:	Unknown, probably Berlin, East Sector
Height: 5' 6"	Weight: 130 lbs. Build: Medium
Hair: Light-brown	Hair Eyes: Dark-blue
Identifying Marks:	Nose has a hump on bridge (eagle nose). Scar diagonal on forehead above nose.
Identifying Characteristics:	Speaks Russian and German (no accent)
Documents:	Possesses a green passport or identification card.

2. On 26 Mar. 1951, Dr. Stanislaw STANKIEWIC, White Ruthenian, born 23 Feb. 1907, in UHLANIATY, Poland and residing at Children's Village, Block 37, Room 88, BAD AIBLING, made the following statement in Rosenheim:

a. On 19. Mar. 1951, STANKIEWIC received a letter from an unknown person, requesting him to keep an appointment on 19 Mar. 51, or 20 Mar. 51 at the Bahnhof in BAD AIBLING. STANKIEWIC did not do this; however, on 20 Mar. 51, in Warner Kaserne, Munich, where he was employed, a Nina SIEM (or SIEMS), nee LITWINTSCHIK, approached him and said she was the writer of the letter.

b. STANKIEWIC recognized her as Nina LITWINTSCHIK, a stenographer who had worked in the White Ruthenian Organization in Berlin in 1944. She told source (STANKIEWIC) that she was now married and her name was SIEMS or SIEM - he is not sure of the spelling - she is married to a German. STANKIEWIC had last seen subject in 1948 in Watenstedt (British Zone) at a meeting of the White Ruthenians, where ~~SIEM~~ was acting as representative of the White Ruthenians of the American Zone.

c. SIEMS said she was now working for a Soviet News Service, supposedly located in East Berlin, which she called (as spelled in the Russian alphabet) PAKHODKA. She asked STANKIEWIC to work for this organization, gathering information on anti-Bolshevik organizations in the U.S. Zone of Germany. As a reward, he would be well paid. STANKIEWIC refused this offer, stating he was against his ideas and principles. SIEMS said she was in no hurry and he should think it over - reminding him that his parents were still in UHLANIATY, Poland and intimating that harm could come to them.

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3. STANKIEVIC stated he would be willing to meet subject if and when she contacted him and would attempt to get more information, but he absolutely refused to cooperate with subject's request.

4. On 9 Apr. 51, STANKIEVIC came to Rosenheim and stated he had received a telegram signed "Hina", asking him to meet the train on Sunday morning. Due to a previous engagement, STANKIEVIC did not keep this appointment. On 8 Apr. 51, he received a phone call from subject and made an appointment to meet her at 1100 hours 10 Apr. 51 at the Bahnhof, Rosenheim.

5. On 10 Apr. 51, STANKIEVIC met subject at the appointed place. They engaged in conversation and it was disclosed that subject had been in Rosenheim previously. She said she had a friend there, whom she lived with in Berlin in 1944. The friend was described as a former cook in the Loretto Hospital, Rosenheim, who is now employed as a cook in the IRO Camp in Bad Aibling. Subject also stated that she had stayed over night from 9-10 April 1951 in a hotel in Rosenheim.

a. Subject told STANKIEVIC that "we" know you are out of work. (STANKIEVIC had been released from IRO Hqs. US Zone, Warner Kaserne, Munich, on 1 Apr. 1951). She added, it is also known that you cannot emigrate to the U.S. She then offered STANKIEVIC one thousand Marks a month and told him his parents would be helped in a material way (more food and privileges).

b. Subject stated she would pick up reports from STANKIEVIC approx. every five weeks. These reports she added must be written on thin paper.

c. Four ERLs given to STANKIEVIC, even though he told subject he could not help her are as follows:

(1) General information concerning agencies and agents who have been organized by the Americans among DPs for intelligence work, including those who are working for in "Iron Curtain" countries.

(2) The channels of these intelligence nets, how they operate and where they operate.

(3) Determine who these agents are and who their contacts are. Background information and complete description of them.

(4) Information regarding anti-Bolshevist movements among the various DP groups and nationalities.

8. STANKIEVIC told subject he would not cooperate - she said she would be back to see him with no definite time. STANKIEVIC saw subject off on the train from Rosenheim to Munich. She sat alone but was joined before the train left Rosenheim by an unidentified man. She did not talk to the unidentified man on the entire trip but as the train approached Munich, this man helped her with her luggage rack and they ate lunch in the Hauptbahnhof, Munich together. They both boarded the Munich-Augsburg-Nuremberg train. One bit of conversation overheard in the dining room was subject saying she had to go to Nuremberg and then to Grafenwoehr. It looked as if the man were trying to persuade subject to stay in Munich, but it was not readily known if they were acquainted with each other.

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9. An Irish REIN, a cook born 1 August 1898 in Lunenburg, was employed as a cook in the Loretto Hospital, Rossmore, REIN is now employed as a cook in the Children's Village, BAD ALTHAM. REIN lived in Berlin from at least 1912 until 14 July 1915.

10. A search of hotel registers alias in Rossmore for March 1921 and for 8, 9, and 10 April 1921, failed to disclose subject's being registered. The same procedure was accomplished in BAD ALTHAM with negative results.

11. STANKIEWICZ stated he would advise the CIC agent if any further contact is made by subject.

12. AGENT'S NOTE:

Background data on Dr. Stanislaw STANKIEWICZ:

Name: Dr. Stanislaw STANKIEWICZ
 Birthdate and Birthplace: 23 Feb. 1907, at WIEJENIATY, Poland
 Nationality: White Russian
 Occupation: Writer, teacher
 Present Address: Children's Village, Bad Altham
 Height: 5' 11" Weight: 175 lbs. Build: Slender
 Hair: Brown Eyes: Brown Identifying Markers: None

STANKIEWICZ was employed by the Rehabilitation and Vocational Training Office, 10 Long and Bog Runner Damens, Munich his immediate supervisor being Dr. LEON HAUPTMANN, an American. He is also a member of the Association of the Free Press of Central, Eastern Europe, Berlin and Berlin Committee. He is editor-in-chief of the White Russian newspaper "Golosnyaya" (The Netherlands).

13. Background data on Irish REIN:

Name: Irish REIN
 Birth date and Birth place: Lunenburg, near Hamburg
 Nationality: German
 Occupation: Cook
 Present Address: Bad Altham, Children's Village
 Height: 5' 6" Weight: Unknown Build: Slender
 Hair: Black Eyes: Brown Identifying Markers: None

14. It is the agent's opinion that subject is operating as a courier for Soviet intelligence work. It is also judged that REIN is a contact man for her and that he may have suggested that STANKIEWICZ be contacted.

SUMMARY OF HQS., SUBDIVISION HANDBOOK, CIC REGION III REPORT, FILE: III-15594,
DATED 9 DEC. 1947. SUBJECT: Mina JAKUBOWITZ re: Possible Soviet Agent

1. Personal Data on Mina JAKUBOWITZ:

Present Address: Neu Kasseler Str. 13, bei BECKER, Marburg
Former Address: Chaussee Str. 117, Berlin
Sex: Female
Height: 5' 1" Weight: 105 lbs Eyes: Blue Hair: D. Blond
Build: Small Date of Birth: 19 May 1915 at Vilna, Poland
Nationality: White Ruthenian (Polish)
Occupation: Medical Student; Religion: Greek Orthodox

2. Subject came from Vilna, Poland as a volunteer worker for German War industry and worked in an Iron Works at SCHNIEDERHOF, Pommern. She is very reticent about giving any information about her parents. She claims to be married but doesn't know the whereabouts of her husband.

3. One Mina SIEM, Kleeackweg 9, Berlin-Treptow, is a very close friend of subject whom subject met while studying at the University of Munich.

4. Subject had no formal education but was tutored by her father. She passed school examination given by the school board and was admitted to the Gymnasium in Slonim, Poland in 1927. She completed the Gymnasium and received her Abiturium in 1933. Later she took private lessons in typing and business courses.

5. She worked in various public offices in Poland from 1935 to 1939. Began agricultural studies at the University of Vilna in 1939. Completed 3-1/2 years semesters in Chemistry there. In 1941, she moved to Baranovics and worked for the City Administration there until fall 1941 when she returned to Slonim and worked as a secretary for the White Ruthenian Committee until May 1942.

6. In May 1942, subject came to work in Schniederhuf, Pommern and claims to have been married there. In Sept. 1942, she went to Berlin to work in the Schwarzkopf Chemie Fabrik, another German war industry. In Feb. 1943, she started to work for the German Propaganda Ministry at Memhardt Str. 12 because of her excellent knowledge of German and Russian. During this period she gave birth to a son, Georg JAKUBOWITZ, though this child was not by her husband. At this time her address was Chaussee Str. 117.

7. Reasons for the Investigation:

a. On 28 Nov. 1947, subject, Neu Kasseler Str. 13, Marburg came to the CIC office claiming she had been approached by Soviet agents in Berlin in regard to her working as an agent for the Russians in the US Zone.

b. While working in the German Propaganda Ministry in Berlin, subject had placed her child in an infants home at Lippelms. During the ensuing months, she lost track of her child, but after cessation of hostilities she attempted to locate her son. Her first attempts were fruitless, so she went to Munich to study medicine at the University there. While in Munich, she met Mina SIEM, another White Ruthenian who seemed interested in helping subject locate her child.

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In Feb. 1947, the University in Munich was dissolved and subject came to Harburg University together with SIEM to resume her studies. JAKUBOWITSCH began studying at Harburg on 20 Apr. 47, but SIEM returned to Berlin. Approx. 4 months later subject received a telegram from SIEM in Berlin stating she had located the child. Subject with SIEM's help crossed illegally into the Russian Zone and went to Berlin. The child was living with a private family in the Russian Sector. The family demanded that subject prove her motherhood - to do this, she had to first go to the local Jugendamt at Neue Krug Allee 2 and then to see the Bezirksrat AUER at Neue Krug Allee 1. When she went to the latter, a member of the German Kriminal Police entered the room and asked her for her papers. When she said she had crossed illegally, she was arrested and taken immediately to the Russian Kommandatura. At the Kommandatura, all her papers were checked and it was discovered that she had worked for the German Propaganda Ministry. Subject was informed if she wanted to regain her freedom she would have to act in the capacity of an agent for them. She was also told that she had worked against her country during the war and to correct her past mistakes, she must work for her homeland now.

c. Subject agreed and was told to bring back information on the following:

- (1) Americans' opinions of the Russians.
- (2) Why so many DPs from the Eastern countries are residing in the Western Zones. What support are DPs receiving from US Government?
- (3) Why are the DPs not being repatriated?
- (4) What kind of propaganda is being given to the DPs in the Western Zones.
- (5) Who is putting out this propaganda and through what medium.
- (6) In what activities are the White Ruthenians engaged in the Western Zones.
- (7) Who are the leaders and what kind of organization have the White Ruthenians in the Western Zones?
- (8) What kind of anti-Russian or anti-Communist propaganda is being disseminated in the US Zone?
- (9) Number and location of US Troops in Harburg area?
- (10) " " type of vehicles and weapons?
- (11) How many DPs are in that area?

JAKUBOWITSCH was then told to return to Harburg and resume her medical studies and to return to the Berlin Kommandatura only when she had information, but to come under the guise of visiting her child. She returned to Berlin illegally approximately two weeks later; visited her child and under the guise of visiting Nina SIEM, she smuggled the child successfully across the border into the US Zone. Subject claimed that she contacted CIC in Berlin on 28 Sept. 1947, told them her story, but that no one gave it any credence.